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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

PLICATION OF:

MANFRED ASSMUS ET AL

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1712

SERIAL NO: 08/813,950

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: EXAMINER: SELLERS

FOR: THERMOPLASTIC COATING

AND BINDING AGENT FOR

MEDICINAL FORMS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Preliminary to an action on the merits of this case, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 17, line 7, delete "essentially".

Claim 17, line 6, delete "essentially".